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A scientific German has proven that spiders are palatable food, by spreading his bread with them, in lieu of butter, and eating them.

TENNESSEE is a vast burial ground. There are 57,170 federal graves in her seven National cemeteries, and there are many hundreds sleeping in unknown graves.

The number of visitors to the World's Fair, Sunday last, was 71,964 of whom 50,000 remained during the evening, all as orderly as a camp meeting crowd and twice as happy.

Now that the Duke of Veragua is no longer under government escort he may be expected to fall a victim to the wiles of Ward McAllister. Mrs. Paran Stevens and other stock "Gillies" of New York.

It is said that a woman's saddest day is when she discovers that she has lost the charm of youth, and we may add that a man's saddest day is when he discovers that his liabilities have doubled on his assets.

A STRONG factor in the existing financial depression is said to be the hoarding of money by people who expect to attend the World's Fair. Gov. Flower of New York, places the estimate at \$60,000,000; others, less conservative, at \$75,000,000.

The Philadelphia mint is now engaged in coining the Columbian souvenir quarters, 40,000 in all. The first five pieces, together with the 40th, 1492nd and 1893rd will be struck off for the lady managers of the World's Fair to be disposed of at a premium.

PHOTOGRAPHY has reached such perfection through electricity that an instantaneous impression can be taken of an object traveling at the rate of 10,000 miles an hour, while with the aid of a revolving mirror objects traveling at the enormous speed of 180,000 miles an hour can be taken.

THE Colorado burglar has introduced a romantic innovation into the monotony of his trade. At Glenwood Springs a day or two since, he walked through the hotel, in broad daylight, with a six shooter prominently displayed and holding up the guests robbed them of money and jewelry to the amount of \$3,000.

THE Nebraska cowboys began their race to the World's Fair, yesterday, expecting to make the 911 miles in from 15 to 19 days. Such was lightning speed before the invention of steam had spanned the continent with iron bands. The cowboys' best speed is 60 miles a day, or about one twenty-fourth the speed of a modern flyer.

W. Z. McDONALD, found guilty by the investigation of taking \$4,961.31, on raised vouchers from the Ohio treasury in addition to sums advanced to deputies, returned the money to Governor McKinley, with his resignation. McDonald can now give his exclusive attention to his duties as Secretary of the Ohio Republican League.

"No electric, cable or horse railroad shall hereafter be constructed across the tracks of a steam railroad at grade; nor shall any steam railroad cross any such electric, cable or horse railroad at grade, except upon application and approval by the railroad commissioners." The semicolon in the above paragraph, which was a typographical error in printing the law, is making no end of trouble in Connecticut. The result is that while steam roads can cross surface lines at will with the permission of the railroad commissioners, streets and electric roads are barred from crossing steam roads with or without permission.

THE effect of Sunday visits at the fair, the fanatics have declared, will be to increase hours of labor. Facts often come into uncomprohensible collision with theories. The milkmen of Chicago resolved some time ago that they would deliver milk only Sunday morning; they have been going to the fair Sunday afternoon. Now they serve notice that they want Thursday afternoon as well as Sunday afternoon, and the grocers and butchers have determined to follow their example. People who have received the announcement that trades in these lines is to be suspended Thursday afternoons during the fair know perfectly well that this is one of the effects of the open Sunday. It has decreased the hours of labor for three large lines. Unfortunately there are still larger lines of industries that cannot secure any secular afternoon to go to Jackson park. For these tens of thousands Sunday alone is practicable and only cruelty and narrowness would wish to deprive them of that.—Chicago Herald.

KING OF THE WASHINGTON LOBBY.

Jame B. Norwood, Washington correspondent of the Cleveland Leader, gives a pen portrait of a once notable Republican Washington lobbyist in the following:

"Sam Ward, the brother of Julia Ward Howe, and the uncle of F. Marion Crawford, died in Italy ten years ago, perhaps. For almost a generation he was the 'king of the Washington lobby.' He came from a good family and he was an educated man. He had travelled all over the world, and could speak French and German, and could read Greek poetry. His father, who was a New York banker, was a bankrupt when he died. Meanwhile Sam was an international spendthrift. He went to California, where he made a fortune and then ate it up. Soon thereafter he came to Washington, and here he remained. He was a short, stout, bald-headed man, a cook, an epicure, a fine gentleman, and a superficial student of history and literature. He had met and talked with Gladstone, with Bismarck, with Victor Hugo, with the Czar of Russia, with Cardinal Newman, with Benan, the French infidel, with Charles Darwin, with the Prince of Wales, and all the gay women of Europe. His method was to prepare an elaborate dinner for members of Congress, to set before them fine wines in great quantities and to make them drunk and confidential."

ANECDOTE OF CHIEF JUSTICE FULLER.

Chief Justice Fuller showed remarkable analytical acumen even when a boy. He belonged to a debating club in Oldtown, Me., and one evening the subject was "Capital Punishment." The deacon of the church and two clergymen were for hanging. Young Fuller was opposed. Said the deacon, quoting from the Mosaic law: "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed." Thinking this to be a bombast to his opponents, he dwelt upon it till his time had expired, when the boy sprang to his feet and said: "Supposing we take the law which the gentleman has quoted and see what the logical deduction would come to. For example, one man kills another; another man kills him, and so on until we come to the last man on earth. Who's going to kill him? He dare not commit suicide, for the law forbids it. Now, deacon," continued the boy, "what are you going to do with the last man?"

The boy's logic called out rounds of applause and vanquished the deacon.

FIVE KINDS OF MONEY.

The United States has five kinds of money, some of which is a legal tender for all debts, public and private and some of which stands for nothing but John Sherman's piled up silver bullion. Assistant Treasurer Bailey, when questioned by a Cincinnati Tribune reporter thus described our variegated money and its functions:

"That is a United States treasury note or greenback, the government's note of hand, legal tender at its face value in payment of all debts—all means all, don't it?—public and private, except when otherwise expressly stipulated in the contract. That is to say, the government sometimes makes a contract to pay in gold, but if not then this note is a legal tender for all purposes. Here is a \$20 gold certificate. That represents twenty gold dollars deposited in the United States treasury. Gold cannot be legally paid out for any other form of paper money. The silver certificate represents so many dollars deposited in the treasury. Gold cannot be claimed upon it. The coin certificate is not, as many think, payable in gold or silver. It represents the silver coined each month, under the Sherman purchase act of 1891; and is payable only in silver. If gold were demanded for it it should be obliged to refuse. The fifth kind of paper money is the national bank note. It is legal tender for all debts, public and private, except interest on the public debt, and customs duties. All these monies are, I believe, coined in all denominations, from \$1 up, except the gold certificates, which is not issued for sums under \$20."

OTTOCAR ADELKAS, representing the Russian government at the World's Fair, said in his address before the moral and social reform Congress that national philanthropy was making great strides in his own country. A striking proof of practical charity, he said, was given by the American people last year when, after a poor harvest in Russia, ships laden with corn went to the northern shores of the Baltic to alleviate the suffering of the starving people. As a token of gratitude for such assistance the institutions of Empress Marie had sent an exhibit to the World's Fair, representing the work of the people in the various institutions, and at the close of the exposition the exhibit will be divided among American charitable institutions.

MCKINLEY is committed to the gold basis, as is his party. He cannot stand for the people, and the people are already in line for a leader. Ex-Governor Campbell, broad viewed and in sympathy with the masses, would doubtless reverse the result of two years since. But any good Democrat, Democratic enough to be in harmony with the common people and to espouse their cause in the present crisis, can sweep Napoleon McKinley on to his Waterloo.—Toledo Journal, (Ind. Rep.)

As the American people can have no sympathy with assassination, even where a political object is sought, there is likely to be no reasonable objection urged against the treaty because it prevents nihilists who have attempted to kill the czar from finding an asylum in this country.—New Orleans Picayune.

It is said that the Duke of Veragua was very much amused by the proceedings of the Ohio Republican Convention. He would undoubtedly have

been moved to laughter could he have understood that Gov. McKinley was at that very time engaged in an effort to convince his audience that the Duke of Veragua is an American taxpayer.—New York World.

THE last bank statement showed that the surplus reserve, over and above the legal requirement, had run down to \$14,500,000, a decrease of \$6,600,000 for the week. This indicates that the bankers are letting out their money, instead of hoarding it and that the period of confidence has begun to set in.

THE Viking ship is again upon our shores and the hardy Norsemen, whose navigation charts gave the key to Christopher Columbus, the discoverer of America; who peopled France and laid the foundations of culture and conquest in England; have only to look about them to see what the hardy spirit of the North has wrought in the country of their discovery.

ALL the Congressmen agree that there is a hard fight ahead on the silver question. Senator Jones, of Arkansas, says that the Sherman silver law cannot be repealed in the Senate unless another silver coinage measure is substituted. Congressman Raynor, of Maryland, thinks that the repeal can be forced through the House, but fears a protracted struggle which may after all prove fruitless.

THREE bad laws are the bane of the time, the McKinley tariff, the Sherman silver law and the Geary anti-Chinese act. They all bear the signature of a Republican president. Every one of them would have been vetoed by a Democratic executive like Cleveland. They have all brought reproach and injury to the country. The presence of a man in the White House who is against those laws, who will moderate their effect so far as he rightly can, until they are repealed, and who will strive for their repeal, is a reassuring fact to the people.—Brooklyn Eagle.

NATURE seems to have given the Mexican an infinite variety of material with which to brew the drink of devils. Nearly every plant in the country produces a destructive drink, as exhibited in the Mexican department of the World's Fair. Some of the liquors are like pure alcohol, others of the color and consistency of cream. All are active intoxicants, of which the brandy from the mesquite plant, tasting like American whisky and harboring as many demons, is the worst. There is a famous liquor known as tegulla, also extracts from orange, lemon, apple, pear and peach. Pulque, the every day Mexican drink, would not keep and only specimens of the plant are shown.

SENATOR J. WILLIAM NICHOLS, who made the speech seconding the nomination of Gov. McKinley for a second term for Governor, is accused of plagiarism. It is charged, and charged correctly that the Bellaire Senator stole the brilliant part of his oration from Senator Conkling's speech, nominating Gen. Grant for a third term in Chicago. Senator Nichols confesses, in an interview (he could not help confessing) that he used a part of Conkling's speech but claimed he used quotation marks, in his manuscript. This is a very bad and lame excuse. Still we cannot expect much from a member of the latest edition of the Ohio legislature.

TALMAGE ON SUNDAY OPENING.

"What is your opinion of the Sunday opening question?" said a World's Fair reporter to Dr. Talmage, the eminent divine, who expressed himself when the matter was early broached, as favoring open gates and Sunday services. In reply Dr. Talmage said: "My opinion is that at the present time anything said on either side of the subject will only be an irritation. The whole subject has been so thoroughly discussed by the public and by the press that anything added now, instead of leading to a right decision will only be a further inflammation of the public mind. The whole question will be decided by legal authorities, and my only apprehension has been that there might be a conflict between city and national government, but I believe, from the character of the men who have this whole matter in charge, that a right decision will be arrived at. There has come an acerbity and bitterness into this controversy which I deplore. When people get swearing mad on either side of this subject they had better shut up."

HOW THEY WILL VOTE.

The New York World continues its interviews with Congressmen as to how they will vote on the Sherman bill and other questions. Here are expressions from two Ohio Democratic Congressmen:

George W. Hawk of Third Ohio District, says: I favor the repeal of the Sherman silver law because its practical results have proved injurious."

F. C. Layton, Fourth Ohio District says: "I favor the repeal of the Sherman silver law and want some legislation in lieu thereof that will insure the continuance and preservation of bimetalism on a fair and reasonable ratio."

TANNER ON HOKE SMITH'S RULING.

Corporal James Tanner, who was decapitated by President Harrison, as Commissioner of Pensions, to make room for General Green B. Raum, and who is now Judge Advocate General of the Grand Army of the Republic has this to say of the reversal, by Secretary Hoke Smith, of the ruling made in Raum's administration, that a deserter was as much entitled to a pension as a man who was disabled in the service of his country.

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pension, had been overturned. I denounced that ruling privately when it came out and told my friends and associates in the Grand Army that it was calculated to discredit the old soldier class all over the country with the people more than anything which could have occurred for years. I said then that if he had a foundation in law for his ruling, the quicker a law could be passed to make it illegal the better it would be for the old soldiers."

The difference between Tanner and Raum seems to have been that Tanner, who lost both legs in the war, wanted to pay out the surplus to the men who did the fighting at the front, while Raum's policy was to pay it out to the men who did the political fighting since the war. The Harrison administration stood by the politicians.

THE AMERICAN SUNDAY.

Of course we all understand that the professing Christians of the Continent of Europe, notably in Germany, France and Austria observe the Christian Sabbath in a more literal spirit than in England and Scotland.

Our New England Sabbath is substantially the English Sabbath. But in the wide West, it is the Continental Sabbath, which means church in the morning and recreation and amusement in the afternoon.

The New York Post, which is not orthodox to any alarming extent, undertakes to defend the true American Sabbath, in the following terse way:

"We have developed during the past quarter of a century an 'American' Sunday, which is based upon the principle laid down in the declaration of independence, that all men are endowed with an 'inalienable right to the pursuit of happiness'—on every day of the week. A contrary rule has, until a comparatively recent time, prevailed in the greater part of the country—a rule which forbade the pursuit of happiness on Sunday unless one could get it at church or reading religious books at home; but there was never anything 'American' about this rule. It was a servile imitation of England, the adoption of a theory about the day which finds no support in the life of the founder of Christianity or in the practice of the Christian church outside of Great Britain. So far from its being 'un-American' to advocate the pursuit of happiness on Sunday, it is the very embodiment of the principle upon which the American system is based."

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